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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVANTS – WCDA&SC Department - Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, Assistant Project Director, DW&CDA, Nellore (Ex-Project Director, DW&CDA, Nalgonda), and retired now – Certain fnancial irregularities found in enhancement of egg rate with retrospective efect – Disciplinary proceedings initiated under Rule – 20 of the A.P.C.S [CC&A] Rules 1991 – Charges held proved –withholding of 10% of pension, permanently besides recovery of Rs.8,42,309/- towards recovery of fnancial loss caused to the Statess Excheuuer, under Rule – 9 of A.P.R.P. Rules, 1980 – Punishment Imposed – Orders - Issued.

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DEPT. FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DIFFERENTLY ABLED AND SENIOR CITIZENS

G.O.Rt.No.79 Dated: 30/06/2023.

Read the following:-

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Ref:- 01. Vigilance Report No.18 [C.No.1410/V&E(Dev-II)/D2/2012), dated 20-02-2013 .
02. Rc.No.157/Vig./2012, Dated:10-01-2012, O/o Director, WD&CW Dept., Telangana, Hyd, (Articles of Charges Issued).
03. Written Statement of Defence dated:05-02-2012, submitted by the Charged Ofcer.
04. Rc.No.173/E1/2014, Dated:28-03-2016, O/o Director, WD&CW Dept., Telangana, Hyd.
05. Lr.No.18/Estt.A2/2012, dated 19-01-2017, O/o Director, WD&CW Dept., Telangana, Hyd.
06. G.O.Rt.No.120, Dept. for WCDA&SCs [WCDA & SC (Estt) Dept.,A3] dt.02-10-2017.
07. From the Spl. Commr, WD&CW, Lr.No.157/E1/2017, dated 5.7.2018(Enuuiry Report).
08. Govt., Memo.No.18/Estt.A3/2012-13, dt.06-08-2018.
09. Govt., Memo.No.18/Estt.A3/2012-15, dt.20-02-2019. (SCN)
10. G.O.Rt.No.43, Dept. for WCDA&SCs [WCDA & SC (Estt) Dept.,A3] dt.20-02-2019.
11. letter No.157/E1/2017, dated 19.01.2022, of the Director, WD&CW Dept., Guntur.
12. Govt., Memo.No.18/Estt.A3/2012-18, dt.08-11-2022.
13. Endorsement No.WDC02-12022/39/2018-DC, dt: 12-11-2022 of the RJD, WD&CW Ongole. (Explanation of the Charged Ofcer was not received even after 15 days of serving of the Show Cause Notice).
14. Lr.No.564619/Estt.A3/2012-19, Dept. for WCDA&SCs [WCDA & SC (Estt) Dept.,A3] Dated: 20/02/2023.
15. GAD03-APPS0DCC/32/2023-DC-SEC-APPSC of APPSC, Dated:29.03.2023.

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In pursuance of the recommendation of the General Administration (V&E) Dept., vide reference 1st read above, the Director, WD&CW, Telangana State, Hyderabad, has initiated the disciplinary proceedings under Rule – 20 of A.P.C.S [CC&A] Rules, 1991 by framing of articles of charges against Smt. A. Seshu kumari, P.D., D.W & C.D.A., Nalgonda.

2. The Charged Officer Smt. A. Seshu kumari, P.D., D.W & C.D.A., Nalgonda, has submitted her Written Statement of Defense vide reference 3rd read above, denying the charges, and also requested to drop the three charges.

3. In pursuance of the final allocation of State cadre employees, the Director, W.D & C.W., Telangana, Hyderabad, vide reference 4th read above, had relieved Smt. A. Seshu kumari, Asst. P.D., D.W & C.D.A., Ranga Reddy to A.P. State w.e.f. 31- 03-2016 A.N. Hence, the Secretary, Dept. for WCD & SCs, Telangana Govt., vide reference 5th read above, have transferred the present disciplinary case of the above public servant to A.P. Govt., with a request to appoint an inquiry officer as per A.P.C.S [CC&A] Rules, 1991 and to intimate the action taken against the above to them.

4. Government vide reference 6th read above, under sub – rule – 2 of Rule – 20 of A.P.C.S [CC&A] Rules, 1991, have appointed Smt. S. Zubeda Begum, Project Director, D.W & C.D.A., Kurnool as Inquiry Officer and Smt. N. Padmaja, Asst. Director, O/o HOD as Presenting Officer, to inquire into the charges framed against Smt. A. Seshu kumari, who is permanently allotted to the State of A.P.

5. The Spl. Commissioner vide reference 7th read above, has submitted the Inquiry Report furnished by the Inquiry Officer vide her Lr.No.717/A/2017, dated 03.2018, wherein the three charges framed against Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, held proved.

6. Government vide reference 8th read above, under 21 (2) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991, has forwarded the copy of the inquiry report to the charged officer, for submission of explanation if any, thereon, and furnish the same to the Government, for further action in the matter.

7. On receipt of the explanations from the A.Os, Government after careful examination of the entire matter, issued a show cause notice to Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, vide reference 9th read above, as to why the punishment of withholding of promotion for a period of one year, besides recovery of Rs.8,42,309/- towards recovery of financial loss caused to the State Exchequer, shall not be imposed on her and to send her response with in a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of this notice to Government, for taking further action in the matter.

8. The Director, WD&CW, A.P, vide reference 9th read above, has forwarded the representation dated:06-03-2019 of Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, Asst.Project Director, DW&CDA, Nellore (Ex-Project Director, DW&CDA, Nalgonda).

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9. Government, after examining the findings of the Inquiring Authority and other material on hand, have decided to revise the earlier provisional decision informed vide reference 9th cited and now it is provisionally proposed to impose the punishment of "withholding 10% of pension, permanently plus recovery of loss to Government" on the Charged Officer, Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, formerly Project Director, Nalgonda, (now Retired), subject to recovery of penal interest, besides recovery of Rs.8,42,309/- towards financial loss caused to the State's Exchequer, as all the three charges are held proved, under Rule-9 of the A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980. A Show cause notice was issued to the Charged Officer vide reference 12th read above.

10. In the reference 13th read above, of the RJD, WD&CW, Ongole, has stated that the show cause notice has been served to the Charged Officer on 30-11-2022. Explanation of the Charged Officer was not received even after 15 days of serving of the show cause notice.

11. Government after careful examination of the entire matter, hereby impose the penalty of "withholding 10% of pension, permanently plus recovery of loss to Government" on the Charged Officer, Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, formerly Project Director, Nalgonda, (now Retired), subject to recovery of penal interest, besides recovery of Rs.8,42,309/-.

12. This order is issued with the concurrence of A.P.P.S.C vide their Letter 15th cited.

13. The Director, W.D&C.W., A.P., Guntur, is requested to take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

G. JAYALAKSHMI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Director, WD&CW, Guntur.
Smt. A. Seshu Kumari, formerly Project Director, Nalgonda(Retired), (through the Director, WD&CW, Govt., of A.P)
Copy to:
The Secretary, Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Vijayawada.
The P.S to Prl. Secy., Dept., for WCDA & SC.
SF/SC.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

K. Suneetha
SECTION OFFICER